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REMARKS

Applicants were made aware that claim 1 was amended during the International Phase of the above-identified application. Therefore, Applicants have undertaken to amend claim 1 to reflect the change made during the International Phase. No new matter has been added.

Respectfully submitted,



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VERSION OF AMENDMENT WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Please amend Claim 1 to read as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A process for preparing a hydrophobic starch, comprising one of etherification, esterification or amidation of a root or tuber starch comprising at least 95 wt. % of amylopectin, based on dry substance of the starch, or a derivative thereof, with a hydrophobic reagent comprising an alkyl chain having from [4] 7-24 carbon atoms.